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Mr. Harry L. Schickling Rubatex Corporation 906 Adams Street Bedford, VA 24523

Re: Empire/Sauget

Dear Harry:

The enclosed is to settle the claim of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") against Midwest Rubber and three others for expenses allegedly incurred in fencing off a contaminated portion of Dead Creek.

Horace Drake should sign a copy of the enclosed and send it to the address given at page 3, paragraph 3 of the enclosed. When all four potentially responsible parties (PRPs") have done so, the Regional Administrator for EPA Region V will sign it, initiate a 30-day public notice and comment period, and then (assuming that nothing in the public comment process disturbs the settlement) give us written notification that it is time to write the check. By verbal agreement with the other PRPs, each will pay one-fourth of the total amount, meaning that Empire will pay \$3,125 within 20 days after receiving the appropriate notice from EPA Region V.

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Please call me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Shorb

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cc: Horace Drake (w/enclosure)

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